What types of photos does the Church need? Very high quality photos of everything! The Church uses hundreds of photos every day and the needs are wide-ranging.

Use the photos in this document as an idea list of what kinds of photos to take.

IMPORTANT - Whenever you are taking photos, try to get photos for as many categories as you can. For example, if you are already taking photos of a family, get them reading scriptures, with an open Church manual, playing, eating, cooking, holding cell phones or tablets or laptops, praying, working, talking, studying, and whatever else you can think of.

The Church needs lots of variations of each of the categories below. Use the examples and take photos that are variations of those shown. Be creative!

For more details, photo standards, tips and tricks and more, see Create.LDS.org.
To submit your photos go to the Submit Photos page of Create.LDS.org.

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Temples – Continual Need

• Coming out of a temple, sitting in front of a temple, walking toward a temple
• Couples, families, single adults, or youth visiting a temple or taking photos in front of a temple, etc.
• Faces of people in front of the temple
• Families in front of a temple after being sealed
• Reading scriptures in front of a temple, pondering in front of a temple
• Temples around the world with people in the foreground

Note: Please do NOT take photos inside the temple
Church Buildings and Meetings – Continual Need

- Families and individuals walking to church, entering Church buildings (various countries and age ranges, including single adult wards)
- Meetinghouse exteriors
- Members’ happy faces inside and outside of Church settings
- Attending classes and teaching lessons

Note: Do not take photos during Church meetings or in the chapel. If you want classroom or meeting photos, please re-create those meetings after your meeting block.
People Living the Gospel – Continual Need

Home Evening

Studying

Praying

Temple Attendance and Newly Sealed

Other
Families Working, Playing and Living the Gospel - from Every Country - Continual Need

- In family home evening, eating, working, learning, playing in the park, sports, video games, flying a kite, bowling, walking, jogging, riding bikes, hiking, camping, sightseeing, dancing, ice skating, watching TV, painting and all other types of activities

Chores – Continual Need

- Homework, housework, yard work, working together, serving together, serving each other, haircut or hair styling, fixing the car, practicing musical instruments, dropping kids or spouse off in the morning, grocery shopping, canning, tending a garden
Fatherhood – Continual Need

Motherhood – Continual Need
Children – Continual Need

- We need children in all types of activities and interacting with others

Young Men & Young Women – Continual Need

- Attending seminary
- Participating in mutual activities
- Playing games
- Withstanding peer pressure
Young Single and Single Adults – Continual Need

- Activities—playing games, sports (soccer, tennis, basketball, ice skating, bowling, etc.), attending seminary or institute, family home evening
- Dating—making or eating dinner, going for a walk, etc.
- Fulfilling callings—home teaching, visiting teaching, teaching Sunday School
- Groups—eating together, playing games, making food, arts and crafts, cultural or holiday traditions, working together, performing service
- Pondering, studying scriptures, etc.

Couples – Continual Need
Older Adult Members – Continual Need

- Visiting or serving the elderly, multiple generations working, playing, talking, eating

Members from Every Nation, Kindred, Tongue, and People – Continual Need
Teaching – Home, Classroom & Elsewhere – Continual Need

• How to fix something, how to cook, how to pray, how to tie shoes, how to tie a tie, how to read, helping with homework, giving piano or music lessons and so on
• Paying bills, discussing finances, creating or reviewing a budget, teaching tithing

Members Using Technology – Continual Need

• Using Church websites, using FamilySearch, working or playing on the computer, talking on a cell phone, sending text messages, using tablet, watching television
• Using Church websites like LDS.org, Mormon.org, Mormon Channel, Create.LDS.org
• Watching Mormon Messages
• Using the new Youth Curriculum
• Typing an email
Seminary and Institute – Continual Need

Ward and Stake Leaders – Continual Need

• Interviews, teaching, presidency meetings, leading service or other projects

Working – Employees and Managers Interacting and Working – Continual Need

• Managers and leaders interacting and mentoring employees
• Employees working in their environments
• Various occupations in offices and trades, faces in work settings, and people dressed in suits, uniforms, and work clothes

Missionaries – Receiving Calls and Missionary Work - Continual Need
Photos that Tell a Story – Continual Need

• Acts of kindness
• Baptism
• Charity
• Courage
• Developing our talents
• Discouragement
• Encouragement
• Exclusion
• Faith
• Fasting
• Fear
• Helping the sick, widows, downtrodden
• Holy Ghost
• Honesty

• Humility
• Inclusion
• Lord’s law of health (Word of Wisdom)
• Missionary work (personal)
• Obedience
• Pondering
• Repentance
• Sabbath day
• Sacrifice
• Service
• Strengthening marital relationships
• Tithing
• Word of Wisdom issues

Silhouettes – Continual Need
All Emotions, All Ages – Continual Need

- Happy, sad, pondering, family members not participating in family activities, parents arguing, depression, worry, doubt, frustration, contention, laziness, etc.

Family History – Continual Need

- Family photos, documents, letters, heirlooms
- Visiting cemetery
- Family history callings
- Multiple generations
Service / Humanitarian / Disasters / Cleanup – Continual Need

Disabilities – Continual Need

• Being included in groups and interacting with others
• Participating in gospel activities as an active member
• Serving in the Church and community
• Participating in service or humanitarian projects
• Using Church materials in alternative formats (braille, audiobooks, etc.)
Other Church Activities – Continual Need

• Deacons gathering fast offerings
• Dinners
• Home teaching and visiting teaching
• Socials
• Sports

Scouting – Continual Need

Personal Activities and Testimony – Continual Need

• Fulfilling callings
• Hobbies, arts and crafts, practicing musical instrument, etc.
• Paying tithing
• Visiting cemetery
We need photos of hands holding everything such as:

- Scriptures, manuals, hymnbooks and other Church materials
- Phones, tablets, computers, cameras, and other technology
- Keys, tools, cooking utensils
- Writing in journals, writing a letter, in notebooks, on lists
Food and Food Storage – Continual Need

Instruments - Continual Need

Old Doors – Continual Need – Very Popular
Abstract – Continual Need

Written Messages – Continual Need

- Writing in sand, snow, rocks spelling out words, writing with light at night

Everyday Objects – Continual Need

- Tools of all kinds
- Food of all kinds
• Technology of all kinds
• Journals, family history records and photos
• Keys, hammer and nail, wallet or other everyday things
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• Time period props or items mentioned in scriptures—fishes and loaves, burning lamp, candle burning, pearl, seeds, grain, vines with fruit, quill and parchment, one-tenth, crown of thorns, etc.
• Scriptures
• Cameras

## Nature and Scenery – Continual Need

- Forest, ocean, desert, mountains, rivers, lakes, horizons, canyons, flowers, birds
- Seasons—autumn, spring, fall, summer, winter
- Sunrise, sunset, clouds, rain, snow, wind, storms
- Aerial shots, time-lapse shots, extreme close-ups, panoramas
- Aftermath of natural disasters—floods, fires, earthquakes, blizzards, tornado, typhoons, hurricanes, landslides
- City—streets, tall buildings, urban environment, busy highways, skylines
- Farms, parks, vineyards, orchards, country roads

## City Skylines – Continual Need
Signs – Needed if Interesting

Animals - Occasional Need – Only the Best Photos

Flowers – Only a need for the truly beautiful shots